ing it is

TES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IN THE UNITED ST

In re patent application of

Kashima, et al.

Serial No.:

09/870,009

Filing Date: May 30, 2001

Examiner:

NOV 1 2 2003

1631

Carolyn L. Smith

NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE FOR IDENTIFYING A SOURCE OF GENETIC

oup Art Unit:

INFORMATION, AND DNA AND CELL INCLUDING THE SAME

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions for a One-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed July 11, 2003. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee in the amount of \$110.00 and any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

11/13/2003 EFLORES 00000081 500510

09870009

02 FC:1251

110.00 DA

Respectfully submitted,

Phillip E. Miller

Registration No. 46,060

McGinn & Gibb, PLLC

Intellectual Property Law 8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200 Vienna, VA 22182-3817 (703) 761-4100

Customer No. 21254